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This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the April 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

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Idaho Milk Production Up 3.7 Percent

Idaho milk production during March 2011 totaled 1.08 million pounds, a 3.7 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 11.7 percent from February 2011. Average milk production per cow in March 2011 was 1,880 pounds, unchanged from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during March was 575,000 head, up 21,000 from March 2010, and up 2,000 head from February 2011.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 15.8 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from March 2010.

February revised production at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 2.3 percent from February 2010. The February revision represented a decrease of 14 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,872 pounds for March, 24 pounds above March 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 93,000 head more than March 2010, and 17,000 head more than February 2011.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2010-2011

Month	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	551	573	1,860	1,860	1,025	1,066	4.0
February	554	573	1,690	1,690	936	968	3.4
March	554	575	1,880	1,880	1,042	1,081	3.7
April	557		1,850		1,030		
May	559		1,940		1,084		
June	562		1,910		1,073		
July	569		2,000		1,138		
August	571		2,000		1,142		
September	571		1,900		1,085		
October	572		1,930		1,104		
November	572		1,830		1,047		
December	574		1,870		1,073		
Annual	564		22,658		12,779		

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, March 2010-2011

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	170	187	2,180	2,155	371	403	8.6
California	1,758	1,759	1,980	2,040	3,481	3,588	3.1
Colorado	116	125	2,000	2,015	232	252	8.6
Florida	113	118	1,820	1,860	206	219	6.3
Idaho	554	575	1,880	1,880	1,042	1,081	3.7
Illinois	101	98	1,715	1,715	173	168	-2.9
Indiana	169	171	1,765	1,770	298	303	1.7
Iowa	210	209	1,775	1,825	373	381	2.1
Kansas	116	121	1,820	1,845	211	223	5.7
Michigan	357	362	1,990	1,975	710	715	0.7
Minnesota	470	471	1,675	1,645	787	775	-1.5
Missouri	101	94	1,295	1,340	131	126	-3.8
New Mexico	321	325	2,105	2,150	676	699	3.4
New York	610	610	1,755	1,810	1,071	1,104	3.1
Ohio	272	271	1,690	1,680	460	455	-1.1
Oregon	115	119	1,760	1,760	202	209	3.5
Pennsylvania	541	543	1,730	1,710	936	929	-0.7
Texas	410	426	1,890	1,945	775	829	7.0
Utah	85	87	1,810	1,770	154	154	-
Vermont	136	135	1,595	1,635	217	221	1.8
Virginia	95	96	1,570	1,615	149	155	4.0
Washington	249	254	2,025	2,025	504	514	2.0
Wisconsin	1,260	1,266	1,770	1,785	2,230	2,260	1.3
23 State Total	8,329	8,422	1,848	1,872	15,389	15,763	2.4

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